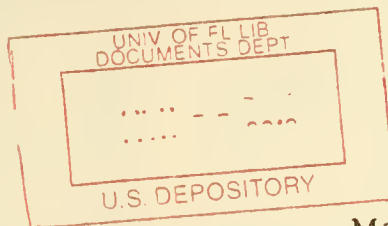


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HATCHERY PRODUCTION
April 1960



May 16, 1960

Chick Production

Production of broiler-type chicks by commercial hatcheries during April totaled 172,023,000--down 5 percent from April 1959. April production of egg-type chicks totaled 97,771,000--down 25 percent from April 1959 and the smallest for the month since records began in 1955. The previous low for egg-type chicks hatched during April was in 1957 when 129,144,000 chicks were hatched. Production of egg-type chicks during the first four months of 1960 totaled 232,576,000--33 percent below the 344,671,000 produced during these same months in 1959. Production of broiler-type chicks totaled 668,579,000 January through April 1960, about the same as a year earlier.

Hatchery reports on eggs in incubators May 1 indicate that the hatch for both egg-type and broiler-type chicks during May will be larger than in May 1959.

Poult Production

The number of heavy breed poult produced during April was about the same as in April last year. Production of heavy white breed poult was up 17 percent from April 1959, but the number of other heavy breed poult produced was down 4 percent. Heavy white breed poult totaled 3,309,000, compared with 2,818,000 in April 1959. Other heavy breed poult totaled 12,749,000, compared with 13,303,000 in April 1959. The number of light breed poult hatched during April was 1,063,000, compared with 1,943,000 in April last year--a decrease of 45 percent. Output of heavy breed poult during the first four months of 1960 was 15 percent larger than a year earlier. The hatch of heavy white breed poult during this period was up 23 percent and other heavy breeds up 13 percent. Production of light breed poult January through April 1960 was down 49 percent from same period in 1959.

Turkey eggs in incubators on May 1, indicate that the number of heavy white breed poult hatched in May will be larger, but that the number of other heavy poult will be smaller than in May last year. Light breed poult hatch in May will be considerably smaller than a year earlier.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Broiler-type						Egg-type	
	April		January through April:				April	
	1959	1960 1/	1959	1960 1/	1959	1960 1/	1959	1960 1/
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Maine	5,256	5,377	20,129	19,686	627	528		
N.H.	1,378	1,100	5,443	4,176	621	450		
Vt.	10	0	48	0	69	70		
Mass.	1,249	1,000	4,890	3,583	1,607	1,740		
R.I.	286	269	1,035	993	39	44		
Conn.	3,506	2,766	14,159	11,194	1,261	1,148		
N.E.	11,685	10,512	45,704	39,632	4,224	3,980		
N.Y.	726	775	2,758	3,110	2,707	2,400		
N.J.	920	580	4,460	3,040	3,140	2,200		
Pa.	5,020	4,236	18,964	17,512	6,497	4,666		
M.A.	6,666	5,591	26,182	23,662	12,344	9,266		
Ohio	1,400	1,400	5,760	5,400	5,910	4,200		
Ind.	6,506	5,575	22,260	22,543	6,855	6,223		
Ill.	1,236	650	4,858	2,747	7,637	6,080		
Mich.	490	450	2,110	1,820	2,550	2,000		
Wis.	1,711	1,580	6,307	6,055	3,914	3,250		
E.N.C.	11,343	9,655	41,295	38,565	26,866	21,753		
Minn.	402	520	1,277	1,800	14,200	10,900		
Iowa	400	450	1,495	1,545	19,040	14,550		
Mo.	6,656	5,023	24,192	22,484	7,292	3,588		
N.Dak.	2/	2/	2/	2/	1,474	950		
S.Dak.	2/	2/	2/	2/	4,975	4,000		
Nebr.	173	128	515	373	6,560	4,604		
Kans.	451	380	1,522	1,200	3,541	2,620		
W.N.C.	3/8,120	3/6,526	3/29,062	3/27,451	57,082	41,212		
Del.	6,662	5,590	26,221	23,024	2/	2/		
Md.	8,388	11,113	32,456	44,231	307	286		
Va.	7,776	6,842	29,653	27,013	1,523	975		
W.Va.	1,072	894	3,955	3,223	2/	2/		
N.C.	13,530	12,930	50,794	50,887	1,620	1,459		
S.C.	1,706	1,529	7,071	6,853	807	611		
Ga.	32,077	31,443	116,859	121,934	2,749	1,170		
Fla.	1,611	1,696	6,414	6,485	1,207	1,121		
S.A.	72,822	72,037	273,423	283,650	4/ 8,496	4/ 5,793		
Ky.	1,535	1,160	5,800	4,660	1,180	650		
Tenn.	4,110	3,420	15,050	13,970	1,800	1,330		
Ala.	14,983	16,903	51,957	58,682	1,031	715		
Miss.	10,480	10,162	37,894	40,934	731	369		
E.S.C.	31,108	31,645	110,701	118,246	4,742	3,064		
Ark.	15,126	14,146	54,917	54,197	621	527		
La.	2,517	1,801	9,048	6,842	345	348		
Okla.	1,100	795	3,920	2,825	1,035	790		
Texas	10,883	10,316	39,655	39,702	3,551	2,678		
W.S.C.	29,626	27,058	107,540	103,566	5,552	4,343		
Mont. & N.Mex.2/	53	20	101	99	549	367		
Idaho	431	404	1,418	1,412	526	365		
Wyo. & Ariz.2/	77	62	262	240	208	168		
Colo.	149	124	342	313	534	415		
Utah	248	221	769	828	360	310		
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---		
Mount.	958	831	2,892	2,892	2,177	1,625		
Wash.	1,390	1,306	5,300	5,202	1,238	1,050		
Oreg.	1,531	1,557	5,756	5,630	685	537		
Calif.	5,390	5,305	20,436	20,083	6,192	5,148		
Pac.	8,311	8,168	31,492	30,915	8,115	6,735		
U.S.	180,639	172,023	668,291	668,579	129,598	97,771		

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Combined to avoid disclosing individual operations. 3/ West North Central total includes North and South Dakota. 4/ South Atlantic total includes Delaware and West Virginia.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries (Continued)

State and division	Egg-type			Total			
	January through April:			April		January through April	
	1959	1960 1/	Average:	1959	1960 1/	1959	1960 1/
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Maine	2,332	1,763	3,908	5,883	5,905	22,461	21,449
N.H.	1,961	1,120	2,751	1,999	1,550	7,404	5,296
Vt.	198	186	139	79	70	246	186
Mass.	6,213	5,156	3,591	2,856	2,740	11,103	8,739
R.I.	175	94	274	325	313	1,210	1,087
Conn.	5,030	3,545	5,437	4,767	3,914	19,189	14,739
N.E.	15,909	11,864	16,099	15,909	14,492	61,613	51,466
N.Y.	8,544	6,870	4,021	3,433	3,175	11,302	9,980
N.J.	13,270	7,300	6,220	4,060	2,780	17,730	10,340
Pa.	19,787	14,765	11,174	11,517	8,902	38,751	32,277
M.A.	41,601	28,935	21,415	19,010	14,857	67,783	52,597
Ohio	15,930	10,100	10,018	7,310	5,600	21,690	15,500
Ind.	17,919	14,100	15,861	13,361	11,798	40,179	36,643
Ill.	19,623	14,633	13,230	8,873	6,730	24,481	17,380
Mich.	6,850	4,710	4,517	3,040	2,450	8,960	6,530
Wis.	8,642	6,353	5,614	5,625	4,830	14,949	12,408
E.N.C.	68,964	49,896	49,240	38,209	31,408	110,259	88,461
Minn.	29,675	18,730	16,520	14,602	11,420	30,952	20,530
Iowa	37,070	24,150	22,207	19,440	15,000	38,565	25,695
Mo.	14,784	7,282	16,374	13,948	8,611	38,976	29,766
N.Dak.	2,367	1,326	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
S.Dak.	9,424	6,382	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Nebr.	14,045	8,387	7,612	6,733	4,732	14,560	8,760
Kans.	7,618	5,250	6,176	3,992	3,000	9,140	6,450
W.N.C.	114,983	71,507	3/75,697	3/65,202	3/47,738	3/144,045	3/98,958
Del.	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Md.	956	638	7,519	8,695	11,399	33,412	44,869
Va.	4,407	2,532	8,328	9,299	7,817	34,060	29,545
W.Va.	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
N.C.	5,995	3,630	10,445	15,150	14,389	56,789	54,517
S.C.	2,692	1,952	1,872	2,513	2,140	9,763	8,805
Ga.	9,978	4,055	21,659	34,826	32,613	126,837	125,989
Fla.	5,045	4,224	3,005	2,818	2,817	11,459	10,709
S.A.	4/29,746	4/17,347	4/60,764	4/81,318	4/77,830	4/303,169	4/300,997
Ky.	2,785	1,500	2,934	2,715	1,810	8,585	6,160
Tenn.	5,250	3,730	4,046	5,910	4,750	20,300	17,700
Ala.	3,801	2,044	7,474	16,014	17,618	55,758	60,726
Miss.	2,724	1,263	5,485	11,211	10,531	40,618	42,197
E.S.C.	14,560	8,537	19,939	35,850	34,709	125,261	126,783
Ark.	2,608	1,246	9,256	15,747	14,673	57,525	55,443
La.	1,486	1,160	1,372	2,862	2,149	10,534	8,002
Okla.	3,125	2,455	2,882	2,135	1,585	7,045	5,280
Texas	13,837	9,083	12,625	14,434	12,994	53,492	48,785
W.S.C.	21,056	13,944	26,136	35,178	31,401	128,596	117,510
Mont. & N.Mex. 2/	1,224	798	707	602	387	1,325	897
Idaho	1,525	931	838	957	769	2,943	2,343
Wyo. & Ariz. 2/	796	601	275	285	230	1,058	841
Colo.	1,681	1,137	1,139	683	539	2,023	1,450
Utah	1,412	1,136	617	608	531	2,181	1,964
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	6,638	4,603	3,577	3,135	2,456	9,530	7,495
Wash.	4,814	3,992	2,748	2,628	2,356	10,114	9,194
Oreg.	2,542	1,934	2,145	2,216	2,094	8,298	7,564
Calif.	23,858	20,017	10,459	11,582	10,453	44,294	40,100
Pac.	31,214	25,943	15,352	16,426	14,903	62,706	56,858
U.S.	344,671	232,576	288,218	310,237	269,794	1,012,962	901,155

1/Preliminary. 2/Combined to avoid disclosing individual operations. 3/West North Central total includes North and South Dakota. 4/South Atlantic total includes Delaware and West Virginia.

Baby chicks and turkey poults: Average prices paid to commercial hatcheries,

April 1, 1960

State and division	Baby chicks, per 100			Turkey poults, each		
	Broiler	Egg-type pullets		Heavy breeds		Light breeds
	breeds	Pure	Incross breeds	White	Other	
	straight run	breeds	(Hybrids)			
	Dol	Dol.	Dol.	Ct.	Ct.	Ct.
Maine	1/12.0	32.5	---	---	---	---
N.H.	11.5	36.5	---	80	82	---
Vt.	---	33.5	---	85	85	---
Mass.	12.0	37.5	---	85	91	75
R.I.	12.0	32.5	---	80	---	---
Conn.	1/12.0	32.5	---	85	85	---
N.E.	11.9	35.0	---	83.9	89.0	---
N.Y.	12.0	40.5	56.0	84	80	65
N.J.	15.0	37.0	52.0	80	90	75
Pa.	1/12.0	37.0	48.0	1/85	1/90	1/55
M.A.	12.3	37.7	48.3	84.1	87.4	57.3
Ohio	12.0	35.5	52.0	74	74	49
Ind.	1/11.5	31.0	50.0	62	68	45
Ill.	1/13.0	35.0	52.0	64	72	50
Mich.	14.0	38.0	56.0	63	65	55
Wis.	13.5	35.0	52.0	58	71	45
E.N.C.	12.2	34.4	52.1	65.8	68.9	49.1
Minn.	12.0	40.0	48.5	1/53	1/62	1/38
Iowa	14.5	38.0	56.0	1/65	1/70	1/40
Mo.	1/9.9	27.0	52.0	1/62	1/68	1/43
N.Dak.	17.5	35.0	48.0	60	64	50
S.Dak.	17.0	34.0	50.0	---	65	---
Nebr.	16.5	33.0	52.0	68	70	60
Kans.	10.5	32.0	54.0	69	70	65
W.N.C.	10.6	33.6	50.9	55.8	66.4	40.6
Del.	1/12.0	---	49.5	---	72	---
Md.	1/12.0	34.0	56.0	69	73	---
Va. 1/	12.0	39.0	55.0	67	72	40
W.Va.	1/12.0	38.0	---	---	---	---
N.C.	1/11.0	34.0	55.0	64	59	---
S.C. 1/	11.0	34.0	---	68	65	49
Ga.	1/11.0	38.0	58.0	66	66	65
Fla.	1/12.5	45.0	58.0	65	65	50
S.A.	11.4	38.6	56.3	67.0	64.0	40.8
Ky.	10.0	34.0	56.0	---	---	---
Tenn.	10.5	38.0	55.0	---	70	---
Ala.	1/10.5	40.0	55.0	70	70	50
Miss.	1/11.5	39.0	47.0	65	---	---
E.S.C.	10.8	37.8	53.8	65.1	72.9	---
Ark.	1/10.5	35.0	50.0	65	65	45
La.	1/11.5	42.0	56.0	---	---	---
Okla.	13.0	31.0	52.0	63	68	43
Texas	1/10.5	34.0	51.0	1/55	1/65	1/45
W.S.C.	10.6	34.5	51.0	59.1	65.7	44.5
Mont.	18.5	36.0	48.5	---	---	---
Idaho	14.0	41.0	50.0	---	75	55
Wyo.	17.5	34.0	58.0	---	---	---
Colo.	15.0	33.0	57.0	75	68	---
N.Mex.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ariz.	18.0	45.0	47.5	---	60	---
Utah	14.5	41.0	48.0	---	70	43
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	15.2	39.1	53.0	---	68.7	---
Wash. 1/	13.0	44.0	46.0	60	60	---
Oreg. 1/	15.5	38.0	44.0	55	65	45
Calif. 1/	13.5	36.0	49.0	60	55	45
Pac.	13.8	37.5	47.5	59.6	56.9	45.0
U.S.	11.4	35.7	51.2	62.2	64.6	42.9

1/As of the 15th of the month.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1959	1960	:Change from: : last year :	1959	1960	:Change from : last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.
<u>Broiler-type</u>							
January	154,011	160,709	+ 4	154,011	160,709	+ 6,698	+ 4
February	150,184	160,487	+ 7	304,195	321,196	+17,001	+ 6
March	183,457	175,360	- 4	487,652	496,556	+ 8,904	+ 2
April	180,639	172,023	- 5	668,291	668,579	+ 288	---
May	175,142			843,433			
June	169,356			1,012,789			
July	166,421			1,179,210			
August	149,932			1,329,142			
September	122,069			1,451,211			
October	121,660			1,572,871			
November	129,729			1,702,600			
December	141,520			1,884,120			
<u>Egg-type</u>							
January	35,814	23,687	- 34	35,814	23,687	-12,127	- 34
February	61,423	38,336	- 38	97,237	62,023	-35,214	- 36
March	117,836	72,782	- 38	215,073	134,805	-80,268	- 37
April	129,598	97,771	- 25	344,671	232,576	-112,095	- 33
May	85,782			430,453			
June	27,240			457,693			
July	13,984			471,677			
August	13,404			485,081			
September	13,818			498,899			
October	14,290			513,189			
November	13,465			526,654			
December	14,338			540,992			
<u>Total chicks</u>							
January	189,825	184,396	- 3	189,825	184,396	- 5,429	- 3
February	211,607	198,823	- 6	401,432	383,219	- 18,213	- 5
March	301,293	248,142	- 18	702,725	631,361	- 71,364	- 10
April	310,237	269,794	- 13	1,012,962	901,155	-111,807	- 11
May	260,924			1,273,886			
June	196,596			1,470,482			
July	180,405			1,650,887			
August	163,336			1,814,223			
September	135,887			1,950,110			
October	135,950			2,086,060			
November	143,194			2,229,254			
December	155,858			2,385,112			

Chicken eggs in incubators May 1, 1960

Geographic divisions	Percent change from May 1, 1959		
	Broiler-type	Egg-type	Total eggs
New England	- 11	+ 24	- 4
Middle Atlantic	-	+ 16	+ 8
East North Central	- 8	+ 7	+ 2
West North Central	+ 5	+ 8	+ 7
South Atlantic	+ 12	- 3	+ 11
East South Central	+ 11	- 18	+ 8
West South Central	+ 6	+ 24	+ 8
Mountain	+ 22	- 3	+ 7
Pacific	+ 6	+ 3	+ 5
United States	+ 7	+ 7	+ 7

Poults hatched and turkey eggs in incubators

Geographic divisions	White		Other		Total		Light breeds 1/	
	heavy breeds 1/		heavy breeds 1/		heavy breeds 1/		heavy breeds 1/	
	1959	1960 2/	1959	1960 2/	1959	1960 2/	1959	1960 2/
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Poults hatched during April								
New England	119	143	26	24	145	167	1	2
Middle Atlantic	144	130	182	137	326	267	14	19
East North Central	562	806	1,568	1,341	2,130	2,147	220	103
West North Central	1,455	1,475	5,034	5,134	6,489	6,609	430	307
South Atlantic	169	219	817	637	986	856	887	440
South Central	202	356	1,516	1,364	1,718	1,720	213	56
West	167	180	4,160	4,112	4,327	4,292	178	136
United States	2,818	3,309	13,303	12,749	16,121	16,058	1,943	1,063
Turkey eggs in incubators May 1								
New England	436	318	82	54	518	372	4	4
Middle Atlantic	310	321	457	364	767	685	39	87
East North Central	1,391	1,504	2,828	2,370	4,219	3,874	566	372
West North Central	2,695	2,544	7,968	7,309	10,663	9,853	753	509
South Atlantic	327	523	1,631	1,225	1,958	1,748	1,659	935
South Central	383	539	2,580	2,179	2,963	2,718	348	100
West	309	280	6,562	6,520	6,871	6,800	339	173
United States	5,851	6,029	22,108	20,021	27,959	26,050	3,708	2,180

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Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1959	1960 2/	Change from: last year	1959	1960 2/	Change from last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.
Heavy white breeds 1/							
January	1,141	1,181	+ 4	1,141	1,181	+ 40	+ 4
February	1,094	1,524	+ 39	2,235	2,705	+ 470	+ 21
March	1,964	2,640	+ 34	4,199	5,345	+1,146	+ 27
April	2,818	3,309	+ 17	7,017	8,654	+1,637	+ 23
May	3,661			10,678			
June	3,078			13,756			
July	2,065			15,821			
August	1,004			16,825			
September	772			17,597			
October	863			18,460			
November	1,192			19,652			
December	1,238			20,890			
Other heavy breeds 1/							
January	1,283	1,929	+ 50	1,283	1,929	+ 646	+ 50
February	3,454	5,365	+ 55	4,737	7,294	+2,557	+ 54
March	9,307	10,900	+ 17	14,044	18,194	+4,150	+ 30
April	13,303	12,749	- 4	27,347	30,943	+3,596	+ 13
May	13,172			40,519			
June	8,514			49,033			
July	2,244			51,277			
August	86			51,363			
September	46			51,409			
October	114			51,523			
November	376			51,899			
December	857			52,756			
Total all heavy breeds 1/							
January	2,424	3,110	+ 28	2,424	3,110	+ 686	+ 28
February	4,548	6,889	+ 51	6,972	9,999	+3,027	+ 43
March	11,271	13,540	+ 20	18,243	23,539	+5,296	+ 29
April	16,121	16,058	- -	34,364	39,597	+5,233	+ 15
May	16,833			51,197			
June	11,592			62,789			
July	4,309			67,098			
August	1,090			68,188			
September	818			69,006			
October	977			69,983			
November	1,568			71,551			
December	2,095			73,646			

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Month	By months							
	1959		1960 2/		Change from last year		1959	
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Light breeds 1/								
January	1,540	545	- 65	1,540	545	- 995	- 65	
February	1,360	781	- 43	2,900	1,326	-1,574	- 54	
March	1,769	958	- 46	4,669	2,284	-2,385	- 51	
April	1,943	1,063	- 45	6,612	3,347	-3,265	- 49	
May	2,434			9,046				
June	2,160			11,206				
July	1,856			13,062				
August	1,068			14,130				
September	387			14,517				
October	317			14,834				
November	363			15,197				
December	559			15,756				
Total all breeds 1/								
January	3,964	3,655	- 8	3,964	3,655	- 309	- 8	
February	5,908	7,670	+ 30	9,872	11,325	+1,453	+ 15	
March	13,040	14,498	+ 11	22,912	25,823	+2,911	+ 13	
April	18,064	17,121	- 5	40,976	42,944	+1,968	+ 5	
May	19,267			60,243				
June	13,752			73,995				
July	6,165			80,160				
August	2,158			82,318				
September	1,205			83,523				
October	1,294			84,817				
November	1,931			86,748				
December	2,654			89,402				

1/ Heavy white breeds include heavy white-feathered breeds, such as Broad white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, and crosses with light white breeds. All other heavy breeds are reported under "other". Light breeds include Bantams, Jersey Buff, Royal Palm and wild turkeys. 2/ Preliminary.

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